



**Colonel Stephen 'Steve' J. Richmond - Commander  
357<sup>th</sup> Air & Missile Defense Detachment**

Colonel Steve Richmond has served in a variety of operational and command assignments over the past 24-years. He was commissioned from Siena College as an Air Defense Artillery Officer in 1986. His first assignment was with 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 52<sup>nd</sup> Air Defense Artillery, from 1987 to 1990 where he served as a Platoon Leader, Battalion Operations Center Commander, and Battery Executive Officer in Wurzburg, Germany. Following the Air Defense Artillery Advanced Course, COL Richmond was assigned as an Assistant Operations Officer and Alpha Battery Commander for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 62<sup>nd</sup> Air Defense Artillery, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (LI) from 1991-1993. During his tenure as Commander of Alpha Battery, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 62<sup>nd</sup> ADA, Colonel Richmond successfully deployed Soldiers in support of Hurricane Andrew relief, OPERATION RESTORE HOPE in Somalia, and numerous training exercises. From 1994-1998, Colonel Richmond was assigned as an Instructor/Assistant Professor at the United States Military Academy, West Point, New York. In 2000, following his assignment at the Australian Army Command and Staff College, Colonel Richmond returned to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 62<sup>nd</sup> Air Defense Artillery, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (LI) to serve as the Battalion Operations Officer and Executive Officer. From 2002-2004, COL Richmond served in the Air and Missile Defense Division (J362), United States Pacific Command, Camp Smith, Hawaii. In 2004, COL Richmond served as the Deputy Commanding Officer, 35<sup>th</sup> ADA BDE and Special Assistant to the Commanding General, Fort Bliss, Texas. June 2005-June 2007, COL Richmond served as the Commander of the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Air Defense Artillery, Hanau, Germany. During his command tenure in Hanau, the Battalion successfully supported both OEF and OIF, relocated two Batteries from Germany to CONUS, and participated in two of the premier Air and Missile Defense exercises in EUCOM, Joint Project Optic Windmill 09 and JUNIPER COBRA 07. Following Command, COL Richmond served as the Director, Joint Planning Group, USAREUR-G3 EXD. Following graduation from the Air War College in July 2009, COL Richmond served as the TRADOC Capability Manager-Army Air and Missile Defense Command (THAAD; Patriot; MEADS; and Army Integrated Air and Missile Defense (AIAMD) programs).

COL Richmond's military education includes the Air War College, Joint Forces Staff College, Australian Army Command and Staff College, Australia, Combined Arms Services Staff School, and Air Defense Artillery Advanced and Basic Courses. His civilian education includes a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Accounting from Siena College and Masters Degree's in Physical Education from the University of Georgia and Strategic Studies from the University of Canberra (Australia).